

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

The tallest man in Topeka was married last week.

Oh, how good Topeka is since the grand jury convened.

The hardware stores are beginning to hang out their skate signs.

Winter is surely here. Everybody is beginning to be late these mornings.

The new Y. M. C. A. gymnasium will be opened to the public this evening.

Oscar Woolverton has found his diamond pin. It was at home all the time.

Nearly fifty Topeka people attended the football game at Lawrence Saturday.

George E. Howard who lives at Lawrence would like to be adjutant general.

About fifty Topeka people want jobs under the coming Republican administration.

The Ninde Chautauqua circle will meet this evening at the First M. E. church.

William Ellison is said to have joined the list of candidates for chief of police in Topeka.

In Lawrence they adjourn court so as to give every one a chance to see a football game.

There will be a big irrigation convention at Hutchinson Friday and Saturday of this week.

There were twenty-six counties in which not a vote was cast for the Prohibition ticket.

The turkey is trying to understand why he is all at once, such an object of popular favor.

Dr. M. R. Mitchell has been appointed a member of the city board of health for North Topeka.

The kindergarten ministers are rehearsing for their entertainment to be given next month.

The Topeka and St. Joseph Y. M. C. A. football teams will play in Topeka Thanksgiving Day.

The Y. M. C. A. and high school football teams played Saturday afternoon with a score of 8 to 8.

The members of Westminster Presbyterian church are already preparing for their Christmas entertainment.

The celebrated Hillman case will be tried in the federal court in Topeka in the quarter commencing January 8.

Pauline Hall is going to play Atchison. Topeka ought to have Pauline Hall. She always has good houses.

Vegetarianism is said to be increasing in Topeka; particularly at boarding houses where the breakfast is elderly.

Rev. W. L. Myers, pastor of the North Congregational church, addressed the Y. M. C. A. meeting yesterday afternoon.

The sanitary department is informed that there is a cat on east Tenth street near Quincy that will never come back.

State Senator Charles F. Scott wants the state board of charities removed and a new board created for each state institution.

Ex-Congressman Jeff Hudson will appear as one of the attorneys in the first case in the United States circuit court next Monday.

Charles Short, the conductor on the Kansas City pug, is a candidate for the Democratic membership of the board of railroad commissioners.

Geo. W. Berry, ex-candidate for county superintendent on the Democratic ticket, has resigned his position as teacher of the Kauline school.

Bosor G. Brown who now lives in Chicago is in the city and will attend a meeting of the Topeka Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar tonight.

Presiding Elder L. K. Billingsley conducted the third quarterly meeting services and preached at the First M. E. church yesterday morning.

A deer ran up First street to the westward early Sunday morning. Very few saw it and no one knows whence it came nor whether it went.

Rev. S. B. Anderson, of the First Presbyterian church, will go to Leavenworth tomorrow to assist Rev. Dr. Page for a few days in some special meetings.

"De dead games" will enjoy a dog fight on the north side of the river on Thanksgiving Day. A Leavenworth dog and a Kansas City dog will participate.

Laura M. Johns who wants Mrs. Leese's place has figured it out this way: There are boards of health, public works and charities, these three; but the greatest of these is charities.

County Superintendent Wright has been appointed one of a committee to prepare the programme for the county superintendent's session of the State Teacher's association.

Lieut. Governor Percy Daniels objects to the government bond issue and has issued an official proclamation asking the people of Kansas to hold meetings Saturday November 24 and pass resolutions against the issue.

The Kansas Breeze is now an incorporated paper. The capital stock is placed at \$5,000, and the directors are T. A. McNeel, F. C. Montgomery, George Higgins, Claude Hamilton of Topeka and Hill P. Wilson of Hays City.

SNORED IN CHURCH.

John Campbell, Disturbed a Parkdale Church and Was Fined for It.

The Third Christian church is in Parkdale. There were religious services there last evening as usual and there was a good deal said about it in police court this morning.

John Campbell is a young man who seems to possess that happy if some times unfortunate spirit of enjoying himself under whatever circumstances he finds himself. He had it with him last night. Services were going along smoothly enough until there was suddenly a snoring, loud and not over-melodious, in the corner near the stove.

John was evidently asleep.

Kind friends came to his rescue and he received a poke in the ribs that made him arise and move not—but then.

There was a second and third repetition of the offense before Deacon B. W. Ball took the young man into the vestibule and had a talk with him.

The entire story came out in the court this morning and there were plenty of witnesses on each side.

The judge looked at the ceiling, in fond remembrance perhaps of bygone days, but the evidence was too one sided and it became his duty to fine the young man \$5, which he paid.

Rock Island
Playing Cards.
No 921 Kansas Ave.

822 calls up the Peerless

Stewart stoves at Sheldon & Sheldon's.

Prescott & Co. have removed to No. 116 West Eighth street.

ALLIGATORS IN THE KAW.

A Fairy Story About Topeka That Outclasses All Previous Attempts.

Last week Lee Jones made Tom Van Natta of St. Joseph, Mo., a present of his alligator. Mr. Van Natta took it home and this is the story which appeared in the St. Joseph Gazette in consequence:

Few, if any, people in this locality are aware of the fact that alligators do not and are increasing yearly in a section of the country as close to St. Joseph as the valley of the Kaw river in Kansas, only seventy miles away. Yet such is the case. One of St. Joseph's business men a few days ago happened to be in Topeka, and during his stay in this Kansas town, knowing his fondness for stags and roes, gave him a quiet tip in regard to the alligator grounds not far from that city.

The Kaw river in many respects resembles some of the streams of lower California and Florida. The country through which it runs is flat and fertile, and the streams in many places are almost without a semblance of banks, in high water it covers a vast area of fertile bottom land which under the influence of a yearly irrigation produces a thick growth of willows, cane and tangled vines that in some places are impenetrable in the wet season on account of the dense growth and the many conditions. In its floodings in choosing a bed the river has wound around in its own sweet will, and in so doing has created many islands which it surrounds and guards with a constant care and guardianship. It is on one of these larger islands, not far from the home of Mr. Osborne Bates, one of the prosperous farmers of that section, that the alligators have been recently discovered.

For some time an occasional hair-raising report has been circulated by the farmers and hunters of the presence of these creatures in the Bates neighborhood. But the story has been invariably passed over as a hunter's tale or a fisherman's yarn. The extreme dry weather coupled with the recent frosts have had a tendency to attract the full attention of the island and several of the pesky creatures have been killed and a few of the smaller ones caught, one of which has been in our city.

A few years ago a negro ex-convict from the south landed one or more boat loads of these colored people at Atchison. The greater number went to Kansas and are located in and about Topeka. It is supposed in accordance with the presence of alligators in the Kaw river that some of these people brought with them a "gator" and permitted it to wander away and finally find shelter, where, under its own vine and fig tree it could establish a home.

It has been suggested that it was not improbable that the creatures might have found their way up the Mississippi, Missouri and Kaw rivers to the place where they are now seen. But the theory of them having been brought it in by the negro ex-convicts from the south is the one most generally believed.

The alligator referred to as being in the city was captured by Mr. Lee Jones, a prominent druggist of Topeka, and can be seen by anyone who is skeptical enough to doubt this story, at Mr. H. D. Carlick's drug store, corner Seventh and Felix.

JOHN D. KNOX, BOOK AGENT

Mr. Knox Keeping All the Records of Book Agents in Shawnee.

John D. Knox, ex-banker and ex-preacher, is now devoting his time to canvassing for a subscription book. He is a full-fledged book agent and a good one at that. Only a few years ago Mr. Knox was considered one of the wealthiest men in Topeka and had thousands at his command; now though he has lost his fortune his industrious habits are as marked as ever.

Mr. Knox still lives in his handsome mansion in Powis which is said cost more than any other residence in this vicinity, and he is perhaps the only book canvasser in the United States so situated.

His great fund of general information stands him well in hand in his new business, for he can discuss an intricate theological question with as much ease as he could formerly compute the interest on a real estate mortgage; then if his listener has traveled, he dilates upon the immensity of London, the wickedness of Paris, the scenery of the Rhine or scriptural scenes in the Holy Land, for he has visited all these places.

His book is a history of the United States, the only topical history of this country ever written, so says Mr. Knox. The names of 200 people who will take the book appears in his prospectus, and this means good wages for the ex-banker preacher for the month he has devoted to the work.

BIT BY A SPIDER.

P. G. Noel Suffers from an Unusual and a Painful Injury.

A spider bit P. G. Noel on the left hand a short time ago and resulted in a member becoming swollen to twice its normal size. Mr. Noel was stopping at a hotel in Fort Scott, and was awakened during the night by a stinging sensation on his hand. He arose and lighted a lamp, but the only sign of injury was a small white speck on the back of his hand. Mr. Noel retired again but did not sleep for the wound became more painful. Within two days the hand was swollen to twice its usual size and he only within a few days assumed its ordinary proportions. The scar is still here and an ugly one it is, resembling a large boil. Mr. Noel thinks the sting was the bite of a large spider.

"FINE LOOKING BOYS."

The Atchison People Decide That the Washburn College Students are That.

Washburn college defeated Midland college at football on the grounds of the latter at Atchison Saturday. The score was 18 to 4. The Topeka students, by their gentlemanly demeanor, made an excellent impression, and the Atchison boys say of them:

"The Washburn boys are a fine looking set of young fellows, all wearing their hair on the Dr. Jekill order. They are much heavier than the Midland boys. M. Hand does not expect to win the game, but owing to the fact that M. W. Games, coach of the Washburn team is not to play today, the Midland boys expect to make a good showing. Game played with Washburn at Topeka last Saturday. He is very clever and it was his work for Washburn that made him game so one-sided. Games was for us, coach of the Baker university team. Without Games, who will be a spectator today, the clubs are more evenly matched."

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TRADES
AT
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The Palace

BECAUSE
WE GIVE
THE BEST
FOR THE
LEAST.

A REGULAR LANDSLIDE!

EVERYBODY, IT SEEMS, WANTS GOOD CLOTHING AND WANT IT CHEAP—EVERYBODY COMING TO THE PALACE TO BUY THEIR CLOTHING—THE PAST WEEK WE'VE DONE THE BUSINESS OF OUR LIVES.

Our store has been crowded all week long—day after day—hour after hour—with people getting their money's worth and more too. Our goods—our qualities, our prices are the cause.—No grass growing under our feet—our stock is too large—so what's the use of waiting.—Right now we've shrunk prices to where they are but a semblance of their real worth—we say so, and the people prove it.—Had we more space we should have told you a few of many compliments we receive daily from purchasers.—Trade with us if you WANT GOODS AND WANT TO OWN THEM AT THE RIGHT PRICE—COME TO "THE PALACE."



MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS AT CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.

We place on sale 200 Men's All Wool Sack and Frock Suits, former price \$10— and Heavy Overcoats and Ulsters—excellent values—former price \$3.50—..... Challenge Price

\$5.00

We place on sale—Men's All Wool Dark Cheviot and Cassimere Suits, single and double sacks, one and 4-button frocks, former price \$12—Also All Wool Beaver Overcoats and Frieze Ulsters—finely made, single and double breasted, former price \$12.50—..... Challenge Price

\$7.50

We place on sale Men's All Wool Cassimere, Cheviot, Tweed and Black Clay Worsted Suits, single and double breasted Sacks, square and round corners—short and long frock—former price \$15—Also Fine Overcoats and Ulsters, finely made, cut long, all shades—Elegant values—were never made to sell for less than their former price \$15. Challenge Price

\$10.00

SPECIAL—We place on sale 50 Fine Black smooth finished All Wool Melton Beaver Ulsters—56 inches long—wool Cheviot lined—former price \$16.50—..... Challenge Price

\$12.00

We place on sale—Men's Finest Tailored Suits—single and double breasted sacks—medium length and Regent Frocks—also Prince Albert Suits, smooth and rough Cheviots, 22-oz. Clay Worsteds, Finest Cassimeres, former prices \$18, \$20 and \$22—Also most elegant Kersey, Royal Melton and Beaver Overcoats, Poole Fashion—and Fine Imported Frieze Chinchilla and Beaver Ulsters, very long cut, plain and wool lined, former price \$18, \$20 and \$22. Challenge Price

\$15.00



BOY'S CLOTHING-- AT CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.

We place on sale 50 Child's Overcoats with cape, plaids and checks, former price \$3.00—..... Challenge Price.....

\$1.98

We place on sale, Boys' all wool double breasted suits, finely made, dark colors, former price \$4—..... Challenge Price.....

\$2.50

We place on sale, Boys' fine all wool suits, double seat and knees, former price \$5; also fine Cape Overcoats, all wool, former price \$5—..... Challenge Price.....

\$3.50

We place on sale, Boys' all wool Suits and Overcoats, finely made, all newest designs, too many in stock, former price \$5 to \$8—..... Challenge Price.....

\$5.00



SKATES GIVE AWAY

with suit or overcoat of \$3.00 or more.



YOUTH'S CLOTHING-- AT CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.

We place on sale, Youths' all wool suits and Overcoats, former price \$7.50—..... Challenge Price.....

\$5.00

We place on sale, Youths' all wool suits, Overcoats and Ulsters, former price \$10.00—..... Challenge Price.....

\$6.50

We place on sale, Youths' all wool suits and Overcoats, splendid values, former price \$12—..... Challenge Price.....

\$7.50

We place on sale, 250 finest suits, Overcoats and Ulsters, all styles, must sell them quickly, bought too many, former price, \$15—..... Challenge Price.....

\$10



TROUSERS-- AT CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.

We place on sale Men's Wool Pants, former price \$2.50—..... Challenge Price.....

\$1.50

We place on sale Men's All Wool Pants, former price \$4.00—..... Challenge Price.....

\$2.50

We place on sale 20 styles All Wool Pants, former price \$5; some \$6—..... Challenge Price.....

\$3.50

We place on sale 500 All Wool Knee Pants, double seat and knees, riveted buttons, elastic waist band, former price \$1—..... Challenge Price.....

50c

MEN'S DERBY HATS.

150 Fine Derby Hats—Black and Brown—that sold at \$3 and \$4, THIS WEEK.....

\$1.95

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FURNISHINGS-- AT CHALLENGE SALE PRICES.

We place on sale one lot of Fine Underwear, broken lots, that sold regularly at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2—per garment while they last—..... Challenge Price.....

69c

We place on sale Fine Flannel Shirts, non-shrinkable, former price \$1.50—..... Challenge Price.....

98c

We place on sale 12 styles Fine Wool Underwear, former price \$1.50—..... Challenge Price.....

98c

We place on sale 100 dozen Fine Embroidered Front Night Shirts, former price 75c—..... Challenge Price.....

48c

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